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Saturday

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Basement.

## Silk Hosiery

### Boxed For Christmas Giving

QUALITY—ever an important element in Hosiery—is most essential when one buys Hosiery for gifts. The safest place to buy Hosiery is where only the world's best makes are sold. Here are values in Silk Hosiery that are unsurpassed.

### Women's Silk Hose, Excellent Values at \$1.00

Beautiful, shapely Silk Hose of quality, the products of such famous makers as "WAYNE-KNIT," "McCALLUM" and "KAYSER"—ideal Silk Hose for Xmas giving. Shown in black, tan and popular colorings for street or evening—all sizes, \$1.00 pair.

WOMEN'S SILK HOSE, in black only, an elegant value, per pair	75c
"McCALLUM" PURE THREAD SILK HOSE, in all the new shades, black, white and tan, per pair	\$1.50
KAYSER'S FAMOUS SILK HOSE, in black and white, \$1.50 and	\$2.00
"NIAGARA MAID" ITALIAN SILK HOSE, in black, white, grey and navy, per pair	\$1.50
MISSIE FIBRE SILK HOSE, in black and white, per pair	39c
WOMEN'S BOOT SILK HOSE, in all shades and black, white and tan	50c
WOMEN'S BOOT SILK HOSE, black, white and tan, per pair	39c
WOMEN'S ALL-FIBRE SILK HOSE, black, white and tan, per pair	50c

We Xmas-box your Hosiery purchases without extra cost.

## Men's Gifts!

"The Men's Corner" Is Full of Happy Suggestions.

"Good taste" and "good quality" reign supreme here. And such VARIETIES! No trouble in finding the gift that a man wants. What you see here is what men are buying for themselves.

Read this list of givables:

NECKWEAR—Everything that you can desire—Flowing-End Scarfs, French Bows and Reversible Ties, knit and crocheted ones, 25c to \$1.50.

HANDKERCHIEFS—The most complete stock in the city, plain linens, 10c to \$1.50. Initials, 12c to 50c. Silk, 25c to \$1.00.

HOSIERY—Cottons, Hoses, Hosiery, silk and half silk, in profusion, 25c to \$1.50 pair.

GLOVES—Cape, Mohair, Reindeer, Kids, lined and unlined; at least twenty distinct styles, \$1.00 to \$2.50 pair.

SWEATERS—Men's and boys', all colors, in wools and worsteds, \$1.00 to \$5.00 each.

CANES—Excellent assortment of Canes, in many varieties of woods 50c to \$3.50 each.

COMBINATIONS—Matched colors, in combinations; Ties, Socks, Handkerchiefs, suspenders, Belts, Garters, Furs and Tie Clips, enter into these sets, 50c to \$1.00 each.

PATAMAS—Cotton, pique, silkline, silk, tie, pique and fine quality silk; fine trimmed and beautifully made, \$1.00 to \$5.00 suit.

MEN'S JEWELRY—Diamond Clasp Buttons, an exceptional value, solid gold values up to \$20.00 a pair, \$5.95, \$7.95, \$10.95 a pair.

DIAMOND TIE CLASPS—Solid gold, some match the above buttons, worth double the price, \$2.50 each.

SCARF PINS—Solid gold, many different styles, \$1.50 to \$4.50 each.

SPECIAL LOT OF STERLING SILVER PINS, with genuine stone setting, \$1.00 each.

BATH ROBES, \$2.95 up.

HOUSE COATS, \$5.00 up; best varieties and the best values in the city.

First Floor.

## PICKPOCKETS GET COWHERD'S CASH

Take \$500 and Check for \$85 From Contractor in South Twelfth Street.

### THEY OVERLOOK \$200 MORE

Money Stolen by Three Well-Dressed Young Men Who Brushed Against Him.

Almost immediately after he was brushed against by three young men as he was coming out of "The Mint," a saloon at 3 South Twelfth Street, yesterday afternoon, N. T. Cowherd, of 1403 Barton Avenue, Barton Heights, found that he had been robbed of a wallet containing \$500 in currency and \$5 in checks. The cash was all in \$5 bills.

Mr. Cowherd had just been to the bank to get money for his payroll, and was on his way to the offices of Cowherd & Cowherd, contractors, of which he is a member, when he went into the cafe for a few moments. As he came out one of the young men returned into the cafe, saying that he had forgotten his change, and brushed against Mr. Cowherd. His companions followed, both brushing against Mr. Cowherd.

Traced to Other Saloon.

They offered profuse apologies, and Mr. Cowherd did not think of the incident until he felt in his inner coat pocket to see if his wallet was still safe. It was gone. He had seen the young men enter the saloon of the Lexington Hotel just opposite, and immediately followed. They had not lingered.

Mr. Cowherd telephoned to police headquarters and Detective Bryant hastened to the scene. He traced the pickpockets to another saloon on Main Street, where they had remained but a few moments. There they had mingled with the crowd, and the bartender did not notice them as they went out.

Mr. Cowherd said that the three young men were well dressed. The police think that they were strangers to Richmond. He traced the money Mr. Cowherd had with him, however, as they overlooked \$200 he had in a side pocket. He is of the opinion that the three men saw him get the money in the bank and followed him until the chance came to pick his pockets.

## ASK PETERS FOR SPECIAL MEETING

Councilmen Want Lower Branch Convened to Settle Hospital Matter.

Councilman Atkins addressed to President Peters, the Common Council, yesterday, a petition for a special meeting of that body on Monday night to take action on the amended resolution reported from the Board of Aldermen authorizing the acceptance by the city of the Medical College of Virginia hospital offer. The petition contains the requisite number of signatures, and President Peters will probably issue a call for the meeting.

As amended by the Board the resolution provides for the taking over by the city of the Virginia Hospital and two buildings on Broad Street to be used as annexes. The resolution giving private physicians the right to practice in the new City Hospital, approved by the Common Council, is stricken out of the paper.

At the meeting held on Monday night the resolution as amended will be up for concurrence and the indications are that the Common Council will not press the section admitting private physicians to practice. This provision was rejected by the Board by a vote of 11 to 1. In the Common Council, where the section was approved by a majority of 12, the fight for it was led by Councilmen Taylor and Huber, who, it is understood, have not retracted from their position.

U. S. Circuit Court Appeals.

The United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Fourth District yesterday handed down its decision in the case of No. 115-10-6. D. S. R. R. Co. vs. the American National Bank of New York, N. Y., and the United States District Court at Alexandria, S. C. Opinion by Judge Knapp.

Clark Becomes Bankrupt.

Clarence Clark, of the Seaboard Avenue, yesterday filed a voluntary petition in the United States District Court, asking for his discharge as a bankrupt. He is a member of the Seaboard Avenue, and the court has appointed a receiver for his assets.

## MOVING PICTURES FOR CHURCH FOLK

Seventh Street Christian's Price of Admission Is an Apple, Orange or Potato.

On Tuesday night a novel Christmas entertainment will be given by the Sunday school of the Seventh Street Christian church. In addition to the singing of Christmas hymns and carols by the children, there will be shown three moving picture films—"The Man of the Year," "The Christmas Story," and "The Christmas Tree." The films will be shown in the church, and the admission is an apple, orange or potato.

COAT SWAPPING NO CRIME

Washington Didn't Know He Was Trading With a Wife-Murderer.

Raymond Washington, colored, charged with the murder of his wife, was yesterday in the city jail, where he was seen by a reporter. He was charged with the murder of his wife, and was seen by a reporter. He was charged with the murder of his wife, and was seen by a reporter.

## SAYS ARMOUR & CO. OWE STATE MONEY

Commonwealth Claims That Packers Made Incorrect Return of Purchases.

### INVOLVES IMPORTANT ISSUE

Hustings Court Hears Argument and Takes Case Under Advisement.

Argument was heard in the Hustings Court yesterday in the case of the Commonwealth of Virginia against Armour & Co., of this city, in which the State petitions for a correction of the incorrect tax returns made by the defendant company. The case is of prime importance from the standpoint of revenue, and the decision will establish a precedent which will affect the State's income by the aggregate amount of the taxes on purchases valued in the millions.

The State law provides that every merchant shall pay an annual license fee of \$100, and be graduated upon the basis of the gross amount of his actual purchases for the year preceding. Under this rule Armour & Co., of this city, returned \$500,000 as the amount of purchases during the twelve months preceding April 1, 1912.

Actual Purchases \$200,000.

The Commonwealth's petition sets forth that the \$500,000 return made by Armour & Co. is incorrect and that the company made it knowing that it was incorrect, thereby depriving the State of the license fee and the tax on the difference between the actual purchases and the purchases reported. The State is informed, the petition says, that the actual sales during the period stated were in excess of \$200,000.

To the petition the company filed an answer denying that its statement of purchases was incorrect and declaring that it had no knowledge of the amount of its purchases. It also stated that, since the purchases for the year preceding April 1, 1912, were less than \$100,000.

Both sides waived trial by jury, and argued the case before Judge Richardson. Commonwealth Attorney Folkes represented the State, and Attorney Richard Evelyn Byrd, R. W. Shannon and H. T. Thompson represented the defendant. Judge Richardson notified counsel for both sides that he will permit them to file additional written argument if they so desire, and for the meantime took the case under advisement.

Claim Exemption.

Armour & Co. set up the claim that they were manufacturers to the extent that the shipments made to the Richmond plant by the parent company in Chicago, and its distributing centres in other cities. Such shipments, it was claimed, cannot be regarded as purchases, and are exempt from the State tax. The meaning of the law is not clear.

The principle involved is regarded as most important, and the case will probably be heard by the Supreme Court of Virginia before it is settled. A number of other companies in the State will be affected by its settlement, and the taxable values involved are estimated in the millions.

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## STUART ATTENDS FARM CONFERENCE

Meets Heads of Agricultural Agencies in Office of Governor Mann.

An extended conference on agricultural affairs in Virginia was held yesterday in the office of Governor Mann. Those present were Governor Mann, Governor-elect Henry C. Stuart, J. D. Baggett, president of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College at Blacksburg; Dr. Bradford Knapp, of the United States Department of Agriculture; T. O. Sandy, director of farm demonstration work in Virginia; R. C. Starnes, superintendent of public instruction, and, as such, director of agricultural high schools located in each congressional district; Berkeley D. Adams, president of the State Board of Agriculture; N. H. Noel, of Accomack; a member of the State Board of Agriculture; J. J. Miller, of Rappahannock; also a member of the State Board of Agriculture; T. C. Johnson, of Norfolk; and J. P. Jones, of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Governor Mann stated after the conference that it had been called in order that the leaders in this work might meet Governor-elect Stuart and discuss with him the work for the betterment of agricultural conditions in Virginia, and to consult as to plans during the incoming administration.

No definite steps were taken, the meeting being more in the nature of a conference for general discussion. Later in the day Mr. Stuart attended the sessions of the Senate Finance Committee, listening with much interest to the presentation of the needs of the public school system of the State.

## A Savings Account

No one can afford to overlook the value of a savings account. When you begin to count the many advantages of having the ready money, one cannot estimate the convenience gained and the worry saved by being the possessor of an account in a strong bank, where your money is SAFE, and where you can readily withdraw it whenever convenient. The time will come sooner or later when immediate payment of some demand is imperative. How much easier and more satisfactory it is to give your check for the amount than to have to borrow from some friend until pay-day. Start now to lay up for a rainy time. We give 3 per cent on all savings.

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\$ 4.95 for Boys' Reefers worth up to . . . .	\$12.50
\$ 4.95 for Boys' Suits worth up to . . . . .	\$ 8.50
\$ 1.95 for Men's Hats worth . . . . .	\$ 3.50
79c for Men's Shirts worth . . . . .	\$ 1.50

## Gans-Rady Company

WEST POINT LINE HAS BEEN REBUILT

Judge Rhea and Engineer Scarborough Examine Condition of White House Bridge.

An inspection of the York River division of the Southern Railway was made yesterday by Judge William F. Rhea, chief justice of the State Corporation Commission, accompanied by R. Herman, chief engineer of the Southern Railway, Division Superintendent J. M. Hudspeeth and P. W. Scarborough, special engineer of the State Corporation Commission. A special train was provided and a slow run was made in order to inspect the roadbed critically. A number of stops being made so that the parties could walk over bridges and view different conditions. The special object of the trip was to ascertain what had been done to put the bridge at White House in safe condition.

The inspection developed the fact that the railroad has practically rebuilt the entire York River line since the past few months. The old fifty-two mile line has been replaced with eighty-four miles of new track, with thirty-nine miles, with the exception of one mile. Since February 1, 24,000 new ties have been put in the line. The new line is a large number are on the right-of-way for further replacement. The railroad is now engaged in ballasting the entire line, and the one mile not yet rebuilt will be done soon.

As far as the laymen in the party could determine, the White House bridge appears to be perfectly safe. Engineer Scarborough spent several hours in making a critical examination and will report to the commission in writing.

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Will Celebrate Lee's Birthday.

Plans were discussed for a big military and veterans' parade on January 19, the anniversary of General Lee's birthday. W. B. Freeman has been appointed marshal, and is now preparing the program for the various organizations which are desired in the celebration. Exercises will be held at the Monument, and a "camp fire" will be held in Lee Camp Hall that night. The annual night, January 18.

The proposal to mark the historical points around Capitol Square met with unanimous approval. It is proposed to erect an arch over the gates at Ninth and Bank Streets, which will be a fitting tribute to the Confederate government departments which were housed in the buildings facing the square. Markers will be placed on the old bell tower, the spot near the Washington Monument where Jefferson Davis made his inaugural address. It is also proposed to suitably inscribe the other sections of the capitol, which was used by both branches of the Confederate government and by governmental departments.

## STERN TO MUSTER COMPANY TO-NIGHT

Highland Springs Boys Will Enter State Service—Officers Pass Examinations.

Colonel Joe Lane Stern, assistant inspector-general, Virginia Volunteers, at Highland Springs into the military service of the State to-night. The company will be inspected by Colonel Stern and Colonel Charles A. Dempsey, United States Army, and is probable that Adjutant-General W. W. Sale, Captain Ship, United States Army, and other military men will be present.

Examinations were taken yesterday by the three officers of the company and each made a splendid showing. They were rigidly quizzed by Colonel Dempsey on their knowledge of military affairs and their commissions will be issued at once. The new officers are: Captain Fred Holden, First Lieutenant J. W. Cloud and Second Lieutenant Wallace Fox. All have had previous experience in military schools.

The new company will be known as Company H, and has been assigned to the Fourth Virginia Regiment. It is the fourth of the five companies ordered to be formed to meet the requirements of the War Department. Efforts are being made in several sections of the State to form the fifth company, and as only one can be accepted, the rivalry is keen.

When the five companies are mustered in, Virginia will have three full regiments of infantry of twelve companies each, and one separate battalion of four companies, the Richmond Light Infantry Blues. There are three batteries of field artillery, a complete field hospital corps and three regimental and one battalion band in the service. A field company of the signal corps is now being formed.

## WARNING AGAINST DANGEROUS WIRING

The City Electrical Department has its departmental eye upon electrical displays in the retail districts. According to the inspectors, business houses in attempting to violate the electrical code are attempting to produce novel window effects with the aid of electricity.

"It is worth calling attention to the fact that the open wiring of any kind, either in show windows or in the stores, is strictly prohibited," said inspectors J. L. Speights, yesterday. "Most of the stores that attempt something electrical, violate the code, and in some cases, or, worse still, to their own store help, with the result that when they get through rigging up the display they have violated several sections of the electrical code and have planted a serious fire risk in the establishment."

"The inspectors are under strict orders to break up all electrical displays in which the wiring and material is not up to the standard. Bright windows crowded with flimsy holiday decorations of tinsel and tissue, there is a big risk of fire and defective wiring, and it is the department's purpose to remove this risk. We have just received bulletins from New York reporting two serious fires from this cause, with losses aggregating \$75,000. We don't want anything like it to happen in Richmond."

## SEEKS INJUNCTION TO STOP PAYMENT

Trustee of Atlantic Coast Line Claims \$40,000 Verdict Was Wrongfully Made.

The United States Circuit Court of Appeals yesterday heard argument by attorneys for the United States Trust Company, of New York, trustee of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, for a permanent injunction to restrain Henry C. Huggins, a locomotive engineer, from obtaining \$40,000 damages awarded him in a South Carolina court against the railroad. Huggins was injured in a railway accident, and entered suit under the State laws for \$75,000.

The United States Trust Company applied to Judge Henry A. M. Smith, in the United States Court at Charleston, for an injunction restraining Huggins from executing his \$40,000 judgment on the ground that the company, as trustee for the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, should have been made a party to the suit. The securities held by the trustees, says the petition for injunction, will be depreciated in value if Huggins is allowed to execute his judgment for such a large sum.

Tried In State Courts.

Judge Smith refused the injunction, ruling that the trust company, unless acting as trustee in bankruptcy, was not properly a party to the suit. An appeal was at once taken. Because of the importance of the suit and the questions involved, it was given precedence by the court and moved up on the docket. The appeal was argued yesterday and submitted. In case the Circuit Court grants the injunction Huggins will not be able to execute his judgment, nor can he bring suit again under different circumstances.

In asking for an injunction to make void the verdict of the United States Trust Company asserts that the damages allowed are "unconscionable, unjust and unreasonable." It further alleges that since the trial in the Court of Common Pleas at Barnwell County, S. C., it has been discovered that the train on which Huggins was injured was engaged in interstate commerce, and that the legal action resulting from the accident properly belongs in Federal court. The damages allowed, says the trust company, were possible only under the laws of South Carolina, and are far in excess of damages provided by the Federal statute of 1905.

Police Court Cases.

William Conway, colored, charged with breaking into the house of S. L. Moore, 117 West Moore Street, and stealing two diamonds and a bracelet valued at \$15, and \$2 in money, was sent on to the morning from Police Court yesterday morning.

William Terry, colored, charged with breaking into the house of William Moore, 406 North Fifteenth Street, was also sent on to the Grand Jury.

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to marry were issued yesterday by the clerk of the Hustings Court to Edward Allen and Lucille Wendel, and Charles Edward Kurrell and Nannie Compton Gillespie.

## PARAGRAPH PULPIT

A Natural View of the Life of Jesus.

At this Christmas season the thought of the Christian world is centered upon the man of Nazareth. By many it is believed that the life of this devoted man can be accounted for only upon the basis of the supernatural. Others there are who feel that the explanation which comes from that life is in the fact that it was perfectly natural. At the altar of Church (Floyd and Harrison Streets) to-morrow morning Rev. Alexander T. Bowser will deliver a sermon on "A Natural View of the Influence of Jesus." (Advertisement.)

## Something Wrong?

MR. PLUMBER—In your repair work you have trouble getting supplies. TRY US. We have all sorts of odds and ends for repair work, and we know you can suit your needs.

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FAMILY WASHING  
Rough Dry, 6 cents per pound. No bundle less than 25 cents.

The Royal Laundry  
Richmond's Best and Largest.

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**RICHMOND**

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